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Pursuit across 3 counties ends in arrest



By JUDY FITZMAURICE
Staff Writer

A high-speed pursuit of a stolen vehicle that led police into three counties Thursday morning ended with the arrest of a Fort Wayne man.

Police took Donald W. Hayes into custody in Wabash County after chasing him at speeds in excess of 90 miles per hour from

Warren, through much of the southern part of Huntington County, and just into Grant County.

Hayes, 46, is held at the Huntington County Jail on preliminary charges of auto theft, resisting law enforcement, and being a habitual traffic violator. All felonies, and misdemeanor criminal recklessness with a vehicle.

Hayes appeared in Huntington Superior Court for an initial hearing Friday. Stephen Michael was appointed to defend him. He is held on \$25,000 bond and will return to Superior Court at 8:45 a.m. Tuesday.

The incident began on Ind.-124 near Ind.-5 when Warren Police Officer Tom Emely saw a white Ford Ranger pickup truck be-

longing to the Indiana Department of Transportation, that was reported stolen in Wells County. Emely tried to stop the vehicle, which was westbound on Ind.-124, but Hayes fled.

Hayes led Emely south on Ind.-5 to CR 900, which he took west to CR 600W before heading north. Hayes followed the road into Mt. Etna, circled through

town and then continued south on Etna Road to Ind.-9. He went south into Grant County and then west onto CR 450S, where a Grant County deputy joined the pursuit.

Officers from Wabash County and the city of Wabash attempted to place "stop sticks" in the path of the vehicle to damage its tires (Turn to Page 2A, Col. 5)

SAYING GOODBYE TO CHRIS SCHENKEL

'This was home'

Sportscaster's friends and neighbors, from far and near, pay respects



John Schenkel and his wife Lisa sprinkle tobacco, left, on the casket of John's father, Chris Schenkel, at St. John's United Church of Christ Cemetery near Bippus Thursday. Chris Schenkel was an honorary chief of the Miami Indians of Indiana. Smoke plays an important role in Native American ritual because it ascends toward the heavens. Below, Chris Schenkel's widow, Fran, holds the flag that had covered her husband's casket.

By PAUL SIEGFRIED
Sports Editor

He grew up amid modest surroundings on a farm near Bippus. Though he left his hometown to travel the world as a sportscasting pioneer, Chris Schenkel never forgot the place that made him the person he was.

Schenkel made one final trip home to Huntington County Thursday, as a hundreds gathered at St. Peter and Paul Church in Huntington for the funeral of the broadcast legend.

His burial followed at St. John's United Church of Christ Cemetery in Bippus, not far from the farm on which Schenkel was born and the one on which he spent his youth.

Schenkel died Sunday in Fort Wayne at the age of 82 after a long battle with emphysema.

The people attending his funeral represented a cross-section of Schenkel's life, from top names in the world of sports to the Purdue Glee Club representing the university so dear to his heart. There were broadcasters and sportswriters, as well as members of the Native American tribes whose cause he championed. And there were the people of Huntington County, relatives and friends of their native son.

"He was about his love of his country — he was in the military — about his love of his state of Indiana, and about his love of Bippus. That was the progression, and he never lost that," said son John Schenkel. "To him, what he did

was just a cool job. But this was home. He was taught that. That's what it was all about."

Tony George, president of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, had recollections of time spent with Schenkel, who was friends with George's grandfather, Tony Hulman, who made the Indianapolis 500 the most famous race in the world.

"I have fairly early childhood memories of him, at family get-togethers, with Phil Harris and my grandfather at the Mad Anthonys or the Indianapolis 500. It was always a great experience to witness the camaraderie and fellowship," said George. "He was obviously a pioneer in sports broadcasting. He made sports on a national level what it is today, bringing it into people's homes. That very soothing baritone he imparted, it represented knowledge, competence and, when needed, compassion."

During his portion of the eulogy, family friend James Morris called Schenkel a "Hoosier gentleman," who never wanted to stray far from his roots in the state and longtime home on the shores of Lake Tippecanoe.

"He loved the state of Indiana, and I marveled that this is where he wanted to live," said Morris, executive director of the United Nations World Food Program. "He could have lived anywhere in the world, but he chose to be here to enjoy friends, nature, the trees and lakes of Indiana."

Morris also talked about Schenkel's enormous stature both as a broadcasting legend and as a

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Pallbearers lead the casket down the center aisle of St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church while Schenkel's wife Fran, left, and daughter Tina, shaking a mourner's hand, follow.

Indiana's economic alternative

Commerce Secretary bullish on biotechnology

By BETH SHINDLE
Staff Writer

Indiana Secretary of Commerce Pat Miller sees the biotechnology industry "definitely" continuing to grow — especially with ethanol and biodiesel as alternative fuels.

Miller was the featured speaker at the annual Huntington University Foundation dinner Thursday night.

"I just came from an ag fair," she said before the dinner, "and alternative fuel

is on everyone's lips. I just came from a Midwest-U.S.-Japan association annual meeting, and there were six governors there from the Midwest, and every one of them talked about the fact that we need alternative fuel. That was no great surprise."

Miller also said that although the state took its biggest hit from Hurricane Katrina in the form of skyrocketing petroleum prices, it was affected in other ways as well.

Immediately, as soon as Katrina happened, I called our director of the Indiana Port Authority," she said. "We have three ports in the state of Indiana, and

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Katrina evacuee leaves thanks behind as he heads back home

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By BETH SHINDLE
Staff Writer

In comparison, the details of his own story were unimportant.

All C.J. Brewster was interested in was trying to begin thanking those who helped him and his family after they were forced to come north after Hurricane Katrina hit.

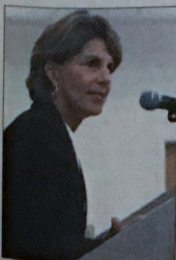
"There's an awful lot of people in this town who have been extremely nice to me and my family," Brewster said, "and I can't pay them back other than maybe have you write something about them in the paper."

He didn't want to miss anyone, so he brought a list. But first, his story.

Brewster, his wife, and his 18-month-old great-granddaughter had been living in Ocean Springs, Miss., about seven miles from downtown Biloxi, Miss., when he started hearing reports that Katrina was going to hit the area. Since his wife has difficulty walking from lupus and his great-granddaughter was so young, Brewster thought he'd better leave.

"Makes me nervous in a storm," he said. "We've weathered some, but not many."

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Huntington University photo

Pat Miller: Indiana business will play an important part in the building from Hurricane Katrina.

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Descendants of Miami Indians hold a drum ceremony prior to the burial at St. John's church cemetery near Bippus.

Chris Schenkel: 'This was home'

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caring individual.

"The word 'unique' is greatly overused," said Morris. "But I believe Chris Schenkel was truly a unique human being. He had the ability to uplift us and make us feel better."

Morris said that it did not matter whether Schenkel was interviewing world champions or cab drivers, "he treated everyone with the same great respect."

Schenkel covered a number of Olympic Games for ABC Sports, and Morris said the Games were among his favorite venues.

"He understood the preciousness of the Olympic spirit, the spirit of sportsmanship and fair play," he said.

He related a story about Schenkel and his broadcast of the famous 1958 NFL Championship between the New York Giants and the Baltimore Colts. Schenkel had said the most important thing about the game came after the contest when Schenkel was interviewing Colts' quarterback Johnny Unitas.

"He said to Unitas, 'My hope is some day you will be quarterbacking a team in Indianapolis,'" said Morris.

Morris also read from a letter sent by Vice President Dick Cheney.

"Chris Schenkel was a living legend with a voice you would instantly know and trust," read Morris from the letter.

"The name of Chris Schenkel heads the list of great broadcasters."

In concluding his part of the eulogy, Morris quoted from the second inaugural address of President Abraham Lincoln when describing Schenkel's attitude.

"With malice toward none; charity for all," he said.

One of the scripture readings during the service came from the Beatitudes in the Book of Matthew. The verses describe the qualities of those in Heaven and how they will be blessed.

"No one is ever going to replace Chris in our lives the same way," said Msgr. James Wolf, who presided at the service. "He was a man who did not wear his faith on his sleeve. He thought it better to practice the Beatitudes than to know them."

During his eulogy, Mitchell Kruse said the word that best described Schenkel was "encourager."

"The encouragement just flowed," said Kruse, onetime president of Kruse International auctions, who left the business to become a pastor. "My life is different because of him. There's something about encouragement that restores the soul."

Kruse said that Schenkel's guiding hand had helped him through difficult parts of his life, and challenged those in attendance to "pass on the life of Chris Schenkel."



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Tony George, president of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, was among the mourners.



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Members of the Purdue University Glee Club take their positions at St. Peter and Paul's. The group sang before and during the funeral service. Schenkel was a Purdue alumnus.

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